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For: NANOSCALE METAL PASTE FOR
INTERCONNECT AND METHOD OF USE

Examiner: Y. Takeuchi

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references cited in the attached copy of a Supplementay European Search Report issued September 9, 2009 in co-pending European Application No: EP 05 72 3019 and listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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